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8 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
9 **EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**  
10 **SACRAMENTO DIVISION**

11 NAKIA V. PORTER, an individual on her  
12 own behalf and on behalf of her minor  
13 children, L.P. and A.P; JOE BERRY  
14 POWELL, JR., an individual; and CLIFTON  
POWELL, on behalf of his minor child, O.P.,

15 Plaintiffs,

16 v.

17 COUNTY OF SOLANO; SOLANO  
18 COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE; SHERIFF  
19 THOMAS A. FERRARA, in his official  
20 capacity as Sheriff of Solano County;  
21 DEPUTY DALTON MCCAMPBELL, an  
22 individual; DEPUTY LISA MCDOWELL, an  
23 individual; SERGEANT ROY STOCKTON,  
24 an individual; DEPUTY CONNOR  
HAMILTON, an individual; DEPUTY CHRIS  
CARTER, an individual; CITY OF DIXON;  
DIXON POLICE DEPARTMENT; DIXON  
POLICE CHIEF ROBERT THOMPSON, in  
his official capacity as Dixon Chief of Police;  
OFFICER GABRIEL HOLLINGSHEAD, an  
individual, OFFICER AARON WILLIAMS,  
an individual, and DOES 1 to 10, inclusive,

25 Defendants.  
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Case No. 2:21-CV-01473-KJM-JDP

**ORDER GRANTING PLAINTIFFS NAKIA V.  
PORTER AND CLIFTON POWELL'S  
APPLICATION FOR ORDER GRANTING  
LEAVE TO MAINTAIN ACTION ON  
BEHALF OF MINOR CHILDREN WITHOUT  
THE APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN AD  
LITEM OR OTHER REPRESENTATIVE**

Hon. Kimberly J. Mueller  
United States District Judge

1 The court has considered the Application brought by Plaintiffs Nakia V. Porter and Clifton Powell  
2 for an order granting them leave to continue maintaining this action on behalf of their minor children  
3 without the appointment of a guardian ad litem or other representative, along with the Declarations of  
4 Nakia V. Porter, Clifton Powell, and Yasin Almadani submitted in support of said Application. The court  
5 also recognizes that this Application is not opposed by Defendants as confirmed by their respective  
6 counsel in court on May 27, 2022. The court finds and HEREBY ORDERS as follows:

- 7 1. Nakia V. Porter is the biological and lawful mother of L.P. and A.P, both minor children.
- 8 2. Mr. Powell is the biological and lawful father of O.P., a minor child.
- 9 3. Ms. Porter and Mr. Powell are fully competent and qualified to understand and protect the  
10 rights of their respective children, they have committed to safeguard the interests of their children in this  
11 action, and their interests are aligned with those of their children.
- 12 4. Ms. Porter and Mr. Powell have retained counsel to pursue the claims of their respective  
13 children against Defendants in this action, and the information required under Local Rule 202(c)  
14 regarding counsel has been disclosed to the court's satisfaction.
- 15 5. Therefore, having found that Ms. Porter and Mr. Powell's request meets the requirements  
16 of Rule 17(c) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and Local Rule 202(a)(3), the Application is  
17 GRANTED. Plaintiffs Nakia V. Porter and Clifton Powell are permitted to continue maintaining this  
18 action on behalf of their respective minor children without the appointment of a guardian ad litem or  
19 other representative.

20 **SO ORDERED**

21 DATED: June 29, 2022.

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24 CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE  
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